EXHIBIT D

| UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK | X |
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| FALLS LAKE NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY, | , |

Plaintiff,

Case No.1:22-cv-01473-KAM-PK

-against-

DEFENDANT ESPINOZA'S
RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S
FIRST SET OF REQUESTS
AND OTHER DISCLOSURE

KALNITECH CONSTRUCTION CORP., DAVS PARTNERS LLC, STALIN RODRIGO REYES ESPINOZA, and ASK ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING CORP.,

| Defendants. |
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Defendant, STALIN RODRIGO REYES ESPINOZA ("ESPINOZA"), by his attorney, JONATHAN A. DACHS, ESQ. / SHAYNE, DACHS, as and for his response to the "First Set of Requests for Documents and Other Disclosure," by Plaintiff, sets forth as follows:

Reservation of Rights

The responses provided herein are provided subject to Defendant's right to object to the admission into evidence of any and all of the responses on the grounds of that they, or any of them, are immaterial and seek information not reasonably calculated to lead to discovery of admissible evidence or otherwise inadmissible. Defendant reserves the right to object on any grounds to the use of any response or document in any subsequent proceeding or in the trial of this or any other action.

By its responses to Plaintiff's Demands, Defendant does not intend to waive, but explicitly reserves all rights and privileges, including, but not limited to, their attorney-client and work product privileges.

Defendant responds to the Demands without prejudice to Defendant's right to amend, modify, and/or supplement its responses as it becomes aware of additional information. Defendant reserves its right to rely on any facts, documents or other evidence, which may hereafter develop or come to its attention.

General Objections

- 1. Defendant objects to the Demands (including each Demand therein) to the extent that they seek information protected from disclosure by the attorney-client privilege, the work product doctrine, CPLR § 3101 (d) (2), or any other applicable privilege, protection or immunity. To the extent any such information is inadvertently produced in response to the Demands, the production of such information shall not constitute a waiver of Defendant's right to assert the applicability of any privilege, protection or immunity to the information.
- 2. Defendant objects to the Demands (including each Demand therein) to the extent that they seek information that is confidential or sensitive in nature. Defendant will not provide this information until a suitable confidential agreement is in place.
- 3. Defendant objects to the Demands (including each Demand therein) to the extent that they seek to require Defendant to provide information that is not relevant, material or necessary to the prosecution or defense of this action, or otherwise lies beyond the scope of discovery permitted by the CPLR and relevant case law.

- 4. Defendant objects to the Demands (including each Demand therein) to the extent that they seek to impose upon Defendant obligations greater than or different from those required by Article 31 of the CPLR, the local rules of the New York State Supreme Court, or any other applicable rule or local rule.
- 5. Defendant objects to the Demands (including each Demand therein) to the extent that they seek information properly obtained through other means of disclosure, and on the ground that they are duplicative of other on-going disclosure in this action, including, but not limited to, disclosure of documents and scheduled and/or anticipated depositions.
- 6. Defendant's decision to respond notwithstanding the objectionable nature of a Demand does not constitute an agreement by Defendant that the Demand is relevant, that the response thereto is admissible inn evidence in connection with this action, or that requests for similar information will be treated inn a similar manner.
- 7. The responses contained herein are based on information and documents presently known and available to and located by Defendants and/or his counsel. Disclosure in this action is continuing. For these reasons, Defendant reserves the right to supplement and/or modify these responses.
- 8. All specific objections hereinafter set forth shall be deemed to incorporate the general objections set forth above.

General Response

Defendant's responses to Plaintiff's Requests are made without waiver of: (i) any objections as to competency, relevancy, materiality, privilege, or the admissibility of

each response, including documents produced and the subject matter thereof, in any further proceedings in this lawsuit; (ii) the right to object to the use of any document provided pursuant to this response, or the subject matter thereof, on any ground in any further proceedings herein; and (iii) the right, at any time, to revise, correct, further supplement, or clarify any of these responses.

Respponses

- 1. See "Defendant Espinoza's Required Disclosures Pursuant to F.R.C.P.

 Rule 26(a)(1)," section (ii) thereof, for a list of documents exchanged in the two

 Underlying Espinoza Actions pending in State Court, copies of which will be provided

 upon request, if not already provided.
- 2. Defendant does not possess copies of contracts, subcontracts, agreements, checks, receipts, bills, invoices, bank statements, and any other documents and materials, by, between or involving any party in the Espinoza Actions as to the work at issue in the Espinoza Actions, other than those which already have been produced by other parties in the Underlying Actions or this Action. See "Defendant Espinoza's Required Disclosures Pursuant to F.R.C.P. Rule 26(a)(1)," section (ii) thereof, for a list of documents exchanged in the two Underlying Espinoza Actions pending in State Court, copies of which will be provided upon request, if not already provided especially Defendant DAVS Partners LLC's Response to Combined Demands, dated January 3, 2022.
 - 3. Defendant objects to the production of copies of any and all W-2 forms

Issued to Stalin Rodrigo Reyes Espinoza in effect on the date of the occurrence alleged in the Espinoza Actions on the ground that such documents are irrelevant and immaterial to the issues involved in this Action, especially given the fact that there is no dispute as to the identity of Mr. Espinoza's employer on the date of the accident, and on the ground that the information sought is privileged and confidential.

- 4. Defendant objects to the production of copies of any and all 1099 Forms issued to Stalin Rodrigo Reyes Espinoza in effect on the date of the occurrence alleged in the Espinoza Actions on the ground that such documents are irrelevant and immaterial to the issues involved in this Action, especially given the fact that there is no dispute as to the identity of Mr. Espinoza's employer on the date of the accident, Jim Associates, Corp., and on the ground that the information sought is privileged and confidential.
- 5. Defendant objects to the production of copies of any and all documents including but not limited to all claim petitions, answers, petitioners' examining reports, respondents' examining reports, reports of all treating doctors and bills, discovery demands, discovery responses, deposition transcripts, hearing transcripts, motions, orders, correspondence, claims files, and any other material with respect to any workers' compensation action and/or claim relevant to Stalin Rodrigo Reyes Espinoza and the accident asserted in the Espinoza Actions on the grounds that such documents are irrelevant and immaterial and the Request is vague and overbroad. See Response No. 4, above. Notwithstanding such objections, see "Defendant Espinoza's Required Disclosures Pursuant to F.R.C.P. Rule 26(a)(1)," section (ii) thereof, for a list of

documents exchanged in the two Underlying Espinoza Actions pending in State Court, copies of which will be provided upon request, if not already in Plaintiff's possession.

- 6. Defendant is not in possession of any of the items requested in Request No. 6, which appears to be addressed to his employer. Moreover, Defendant objects to this Request for documents pertaining to his employment, as they are irrelevant and immaterial in this Action. See Response Nos. 4 and 5, above. Notwithstanding the foregoing, see "Defendant Espinoza's Required Disclosures Pursuant to F.R.C.P. Rule 26(a)(1)," section (ii) thereof, for a list of documents exchanged in the two Underlying Espinoza Actions pending in State Court, copies of which will be provided upon request, if not already in Plaintiff's possession.
- 7. Defendant objects to Request No. 7 on the ground that it seeks documents and information that is/are irrelevant and immaterial to the issues in this Action, and it is vague and overbroad, as there is no genuine issue as to Defendant's work at the time of his accident. In addition, Defendant objects to this Request on the ground that it seeks material that is protected from disclosure by the attorney-client and attorney work product privileges. Notwithstanding the foregoing, see "Defendant Espinoza's Required Disclosures Pursuant to F.R.C.P. Rule 26(a)(1)," section (ii) thereof, for a list of documents exchanged in the two Underlying Espinoza Actions pending in State Court, copies of which will be provided upon request, if not already in Plaintiff's possession.
- 8. Defendant objects to Request No. 8 on the ground that it seeks documents and information that is/are irrelevant and immaterial to the issues in this Action, and it is vague and overbroad, as there is no genuine issue as to Defendant's

employment and/or work at the time of his accident. In addition, Defendant objects to this Request on the ground that it seeks material that is protected from disclosure by the attorney-client and attorney work product privileges. Notwithstanding the foregoing, see "Defendant Espinoza's Required Disclosures Pursuant to F.R.C.P. Rule 26(a)(1)," section (ii) thereof, for a list of documents exchanged in the two Underlying Espinoza Actions pending in State Court, copies of which will be provided upon request, if not already in Plaintiff's possession. Reference is also made to the documents already produced by the other parties to this Action.

- 9. Upon information and belief, the documents identified in this Request have already been exchanged in this Action.
- 10. Defendant objects to Request No. 10 on the ground that it seeks documents that are irrelevant and immaterial to the issues in this Action. In addition, Defendant objects to this Request on the ground that it is overbroad and seeks material that is protected from disclosure by the attorney-client and attorney work product privileges. Notwithstanding the foregoing, see "Defendant Espinoza's Required Disclosures Pursuant to F.R.C.P. Rule 26(a)(1)," section (ii) thereof, for a list of documents exchanged in the two Underlying Espinoza Actions pending in State Court, copies of which will be provided upon request, if not already in Plaintiff's possession. Reference is also made to the documents already produced by the other parties to this Action.
- 11. Upon information and belief, the only identified eyewitness to the accident that is the subject of the Underlying Actions is Dwayne Hudson, an employee of Defendant DAVS Partners, LLC.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Defendant ESPINOZA reserves the right to supplement and/or amend these responses up until the time of trial.

Dated: New York, New York February 14, 2023

Yours, etc.,

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ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURE BY STALIN RODRIGO REYES ESPINOZA

KALNITECH CONSTRUCTION CORP., DAVS CONSTRUCTION CORP. LLC, STALIN RODRIGO REYES ESPINOZA, and ASK ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING CORP..

| Defendants. |
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Defendant, STALIN RODRIGO REYES ESPINOZA ("ESPINOZA"), by his attorney, JONATHAN A. DACHS, ESQ. / SHAYNE, DACHS, as and for his additional disclosure in this matter, sets forth as follows:

Annexed hereto is a copy of a Notice of Decision of the State of New York – Workers' Compensation Board in regard to Stalin Rodrigo Reyes Espinoza, WCB Case No. G258 0210, dated 11/4/2019, in which Mr. Espinoza's Employer is listed as Jim Associates Corp.

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Dated: New York, New York March 6, 2023 Yours, etc.,

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State of New York - Workers' Compensation Board In regard to Stalin Reyes-Espinoza, WCB Case #G258 0210

NOTICE OF DECISION

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At the Workers' Compensation hearing held on 10/30/2019 involving the claim of Stalin Reyes-Espinoza at the Brooklyn hearing location, Judge Bernard Twomey made the following decision, findings and directions:

AWARD: The employer or insurance carrier is directed to pay the following awards, <u>less payments already made</u> by the employer or carrier, for the periods indicated below, unless employer or carrier files an application within 30 days after the date on which the decision was duly filed and served.

| for disability over a period of | | at rate | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------------|----------|------------|
| weeks | from | to | per week | the sum of |
| 0 | 6/29/2019 | 7/9/2019 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| - No medical evide | ence. | | | |
| 8.6 | 7/9/2019 | 9/6/2019 | \$480.00 | \$4,128.00 |
| - Temporary total | disability. | | | |
| 7.8 | 9/6/2019 | 10/31/2019 | \$400.00 | \$3,120.00 |
| - Tentative rate. | | | | |

Carrier to continue payments at \$400.00 tentative rate.

FEES:

As lien on above award payable by separate check by carrier TO CLAIMANT'S REPRESENTATIVE OR ATTORNEY:

Sum of

To

\$650.00

Fogelgaren, Forman

DECISION: The claimant Stalin Reyes-Espinoza had a work related injury involving nasal fracture, back and right wrist. The claimant's average weekly wage for the year worked before this work related injury or

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| Claimant - | Stalin Reyes-Espinoza | Employer - | Jim Associates Corp |
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| Social Security No | | Carrier - | State Insurance Fund |
| WCB Case No | G258 0210 | Carrier ID No | W204002 |
| Date of Accident - | 06/28/2019 | Carrier Case No | 72134075-373 |
| District Office - | NYC | Date of Filing of th | is Decision- 11/04/2019 |

ATENCION:

Puede llamar a la oficina de la Junta de Compensacion Obrera, en su area correspondiente, cuyo numero de telefono aparece al principio de la pagina y pida informacion acerca de su reclamacion(caso).

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occupational disease is \$720.00 per payroll without prejudice. No further action is planned by the Board at this time.

Information about Payment of Awards

Payment of an award of compensation must be issued within 10 days, except where the carrier has filed an application to the board for a modification, rescission or review of the award. If payment is not timely, the Board imposes a penalty equal to 20% of the unpaid compensation (WCL § 25[3][f]). That penalty is payable to the claimant.

Payment of installments of compensation must be issued within 25 days of becoming due, or else the carrier shall pay an additional amount of 20% of the compensation then due, plus \$300, to the claimant, unless the Board excuses the late payment upon an application by the carrier. WCL § 25(1)(e).

Claimant -Social Security No. -

WCB Case No. -Date of Accident -

District Office -

Stalin Reyes-Espinoza

Carrier -G258 0210 Carrier ID No. -Carrier Case No. -

06/28/2019 NYC

Employer -

Jim Associates Corp State Insurance Fund

W204002 72134075-373

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Copies To: Claimant: Carrier: Employer: Other: Case #G258 0210 Stalin Reyes-Espinoza State Insurance Fund Jim Associates Corp Fogelgaren, Forman

Please see below for Recipients.

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